Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Clarence and Donna Richards exchanged their wedding vows on April 10, 1954, promising to share their lives and love together for the rest of their days; and,

Whereas, The newly-wed couple of 50 years ago has been replaced by two devoted partners who have shared life's beauty and sorrow and have grown to love one another more because of their common journey; and,

Whereas, Clarence and Donna gave life and love to four children, who in turn presented them with eight grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Clarence is involved with the Parker Masonic Lodge and the Parker Flivvers Shrine Club, and he enjoys fishing, golfing, and spending time with his family; and,

Whereas, Donna's interests include church groups, golfing, bird watching, and spending time with her family; and,

Whereas, Through their lifelong dedication to the values of caring and sharing, Clarence and Donna have helped make South Dakota a great place to live and work; and,

Whereas, It is altogether fitting and proper that the Governor of South Dakota recognizes and commemorates the memorable milestones in the lives of the state's outstanding citizens:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim April 10, 2004, as

CLARENCE AND DONNA RICHARDS DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with the honored couple's family and friends as they gather to celebrate on April 10, 2004, in wishing them continued health and happiness in a state that stands prouder today because of their contributions and commitment.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Tenth Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State